

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re PATENT APPLICATION of

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: PCT DO/EO/US

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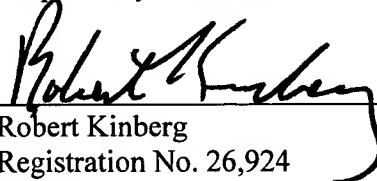
Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Page 2, line 4, change "2000" to --1999 ←.

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to correct the Priority filing date.

Respectfully submitted,


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